## **UNAPPROVED**

## VIRGINIA BOARD OF LONG-TERM CARE ADMINISTRATORS SPECIAL CONFERNCE COMMITTEE

The Special Conference Committee of the Virginia Board of Long-Term Care Administrators convened on June 17, 2009, at the Department of Health Professions, 9960 Mayland Drive, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Hearing Room 3, Henrico, Virginia.

**MEMBERS** Mary Smith, NHA, Chair

**PRESENT:** Randy Scott, NHA, Board Member

**STAFF PRESENT:** Lisa R. Hahn, Executive Director

Kathy Truesdale, Discipline Assistant

Anne Joseph, Deputy Director, Administrative Proceedings Division

**PUBLIC PRESENT:** Cynthia Odden-Hood

Bobbie Broolly Elizabeth R. Potter Scarlette Peeples Angela Burrell Sharnese Mason Gloria Mason Ednora Wiggins

CONFERENCE Elmira Pitchford, ALFA

SCHEDULED: License Number: 1706-000427 Case Number: 123887

**CALL TO ORDER:** Ms. Smith called the conference to order at 10:30 a.m.

**DISCUSSION:** Ms. Pitchford appeared before the Committee in person in accordance

with the amended notice of the Board dated May 7, 2009. Ms.

Pitchford was present and was not represented by counsel.

The Committee reviewed the allegations in the notice of informal hearing with Ms. Pitchford in that she may have violated the laws

and/or regulations governing the practice of assisted living facility

administrators.

CLOSED SESSION: Mr. Scott moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board

of Long-Term Care Administrators convene a closed meeting pursuant to §2.2-3711(A)(28) of the *Code of Virginia* for the purpose of deliberation to reach a decision in the matter of Elmira Pitchford, ALFA. Additionally, Mr. Scott moved that Ms. Hahn, Ms. Truesdale, and Ms. Joseph attend the closed meeting because their presence in the closed meeting was deemed necessary and would aid the

Committee in its deliberations. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

## **OPEN SESSION:**

The Committee reconvened in open session at 11:43 a.m.

Mr. Scott moved that the Special Conference Committee of the Board of Long-Term Care Administrators certify that it heard, discussed or considered only public business matters lawfully exempted from open meeting requirements under the Virginia Freedom of Information Act and only such public business matters as were identified in the motion by which the closed meeting was convened. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

**ACTION:** 

Ms. Smith moved to have Ms. Joseph read the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law adopted by the Committee and the decision adopted by the Committee. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

On the basis of the foregoing, the Virginia Board of Long-Term Care Administrators, rules that effective upon entry of said Order, and in lieu of further proceedings, hereby ORDERS as follows:

- 1. The Board ACCEPTS the Voluntary Surrender of Elmira Pitchford's license to practice as an assisted living facility administrator in the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- 2. This Order is without prejudice to Ms. Pitchford's right to apply for licensure in the future.

**ADJOURNMENT:** The Committee adjourned this case at 11:50 a.m.

Mary Smith, NHA, Chair	Lisa R. Hahn, Executive Director
Date	Date